

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM**

Property Name: _____ Inventory Number 120032 CH-861

Address: 212 Oak Avenue, Charles County - in vicinity of LaPlata

Owner: Wood, Irene B.

Tax Parcel Number: 293 Tax Map Number: 113

Project MD 301 Agency State Highway Administration (SHA)

Site visit by SHA Staff: ☒ no ☐ yes Name: _____ Date: _____

Eligibility recommended ☐ Eligibility **not** recommended ☒

Criteria ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G ☒ None

Is property located within a historic district? ☒ no ☐ yes Name of District: _____

Is district listed?: ☒ no ☐ yes

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Project Review and Compliance Files

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination *(Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)*

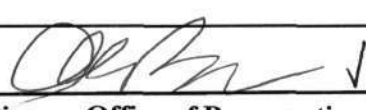
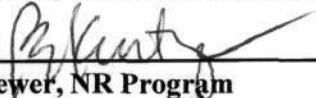
The two-story brick rowhouses include four living units on both the first and second floors. The vernacular designed building has its brick work is laid in a stretcher bond with no header courses and the windows have decorative brick sills. Two half-hipped roof project from the main elevation creating two entry porches. The roof is flat with a half-gabled roof section at the main elevation.

Towards the end of the first quarter of the 20th century, road improvements and developments contributed to the suburbanization of Charles County. In particular, the Robert Crain Highway, later expanded as part of U.S. 301, attracted new development to older communities along its corridor. Crain Highway brought commercial development on La Plata's west side and contributed to the Charles County seat's overall growth in the 1920s and 1930s.

World War II and the increasing dependence upon motor vehicles played a very important role in La Plata's community development. Charles County continued its relative isolation from large-scale residential and commercial development until after Crain Highway was dualized and designated U.S. 301 in the 1960s. Earlier trends in travel-

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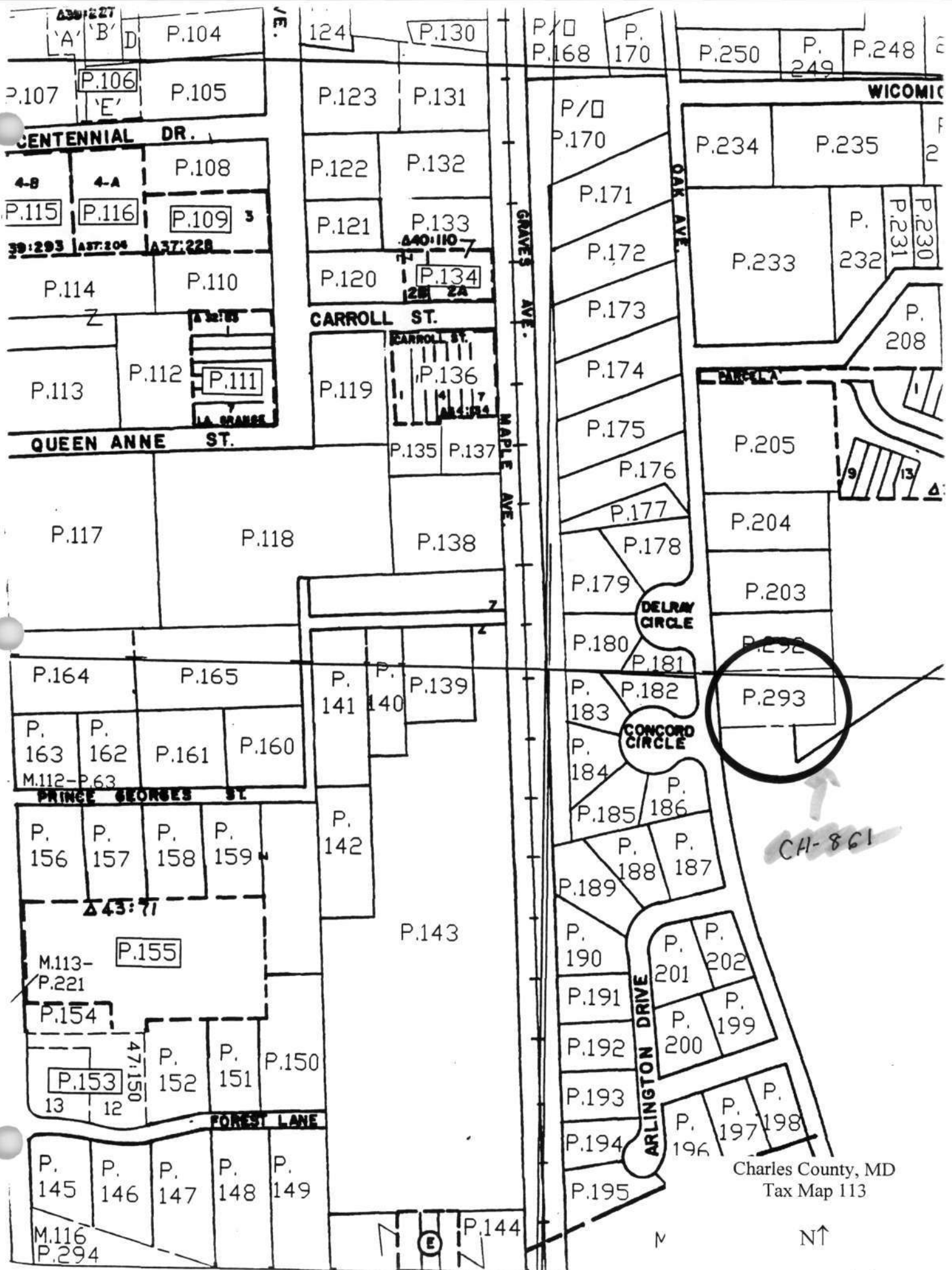
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related services and entertainment along the Crain Highway grew somewhat when the highway was extended across the Potomac River to Virginia through southern Charles County and over the new Harry W. Nice Bridge in 1940, thus completing a route from New York to Florida.

Built circa 1940, this multiple family dwelling is not eligible for the National Register. While typical of the modest residential development along U.S. 301, this resource lacks significance related to events, persons, or architecture. Criterion D, information potential, was not assessed for this study.



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